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## FORT MYERS MAN ENTERS PLEA OF GUILTY TO POSSESSION OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

\_\_\_\_\_ Acting United States Attorney James R. Klindt announced today that HOLGER RICHARD KJELDSEN, age 57, of Fort Myers, entered a plea of guilty to attempting to possess child PORNOGRAPHY. He entered that plea to a charge in an information which the United States filed against him on July 2, 2007.

According to court records, KJELDSEN, made contact via the Internet with an individual whom he believed to be a 14-year-old girl residing in Tampa. In reality, that "girl" was an undercover detective with the FBI Innocent Images Task Force. In the course of their on-line "chats," KJELDSEN discussed sexual matters with her and shared a number of photographs with her on line which contained sexually explicit images. After these contacts, federal agents executed a search warrant at his residence on March 16, 2007. There, the agents found numerous images of children engaged in sexually explicit conduct.

This case is part of Project Safe Childhood. In February 2006, Attorney General Alberto R. Gonzales created Project Safe Childhood, a national initiative designed to protect children from online exploitation and abuse. Led by the United States Attorneys Offices, Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state and local resources to better locate, apprehend, and prosecute individuals who exploit children via the internet, as well

as identify and rescue victims. For more information on Project Safe Childhood, please visit [www.projectsafechildhood.gov](http://www.projectsafechildhood.gov).

The case was investigated by Federal Bureau of Investigation Innocent Images Task Force. The FBI's Innocent Images Task Force is a multi-agency task force. The Task Force is an intelligence driven, proactive investigative initiative that combats the proliferation of child pornography and child sexual exploitation facilitated by the Internet. The mission of the Innocent Images Task Force is to reduce the vulnerability of children to acts of sexual exploitation and abuse facilitated through computers; identify and rescue witting and unwitting child victims; and to investigate and prosecute sexual predators who use the Internet to sexually exploit children for personal and financial gain. The case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Colleen Murphy-Davis of the Special Prosecutions Section in the Tampa Division.